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In re Application of:

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For: APPARATUS FOR REDUCING ELECTRICAL SHORTS FROM THE BIT LINE TO THE CELL PLATE (as amended)

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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Sir:

The Examiner indicates:

The cited prior art references issues to Derderian et al. and Sandhu et al. are not qualified as prior art references because the certified statement of common ownership has been filed on February 27, 2004.

Applicants concur with the reasons as stated by the Examiner insofar as they comprise a summary, and are exemplary and not limiting. However, additional reasons for patentability were presented during, and are readily apparent from, the prosecution of the above entitled application and applicants submit that the allowed claims are implicitly patentable in view of the art of record. Further, the scope of the claims must be determined from the literal language of each as a whole, as well as equivalents thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Sir:

Applicants submit herewith Part B - Fee(s) Transmittal for the above-captioned application and a check in the amount of \$1,645.00 in payment therefor plus five (5) copies of the patent when issued.

Also, enclosed is an Amendment Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.312(a) (12 pages); Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance (2 pages); and Fee Addressee for Receipt of PTO Notices Relating to Maintenance Fees (2 pages).

Applicants understand that no additional fees are required. However, if the Office determines that any comparison fees or other additional fees are required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any such fees to TraskBritt Deposit Account No. 20-1469. A copy of this Transmittal Letter is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

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